

REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Final Office Action dated March 21, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 21, 2006. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 40, 41, 55 and 57 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by *SU 1745873*. Applicant has canceled claims 40, 41, 55 and 57 without prejudice. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 21 – 39, 42, 43 and 56 are allowed.

Conclusion

The references cited by the Examiner, alone or in combination, do not teach, show, or suggest the invention as claimed. Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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